

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of) **MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**
Hirotama FUJIMARU et al.) Group Art Unit: 1762
Application No.: 10/581,343) Examiner: Satya B. SASTRI
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For: PARTICULATE WATER)
RETAINING MATERIAL FOR)
CULTIVATING PLANT HAVING)
WATER ABSORBENT RESIN AS)
MAIN COMPONENT)

REPLY AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action (non-final rejection) issued on May 18, 2011,
Applicants submit the following remarks.